AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A recombinant papilloma virus like particle (VLP) for introduction of a peptide into cells, comprising a major capsid protein L1 of human papilloma virus (HPV-L1 protein) wherein the major capsid protein L1 of human papilloma virus has been intentionally-modified by site-specific substitution of specific amino acids to abolish major type specific epitopes causing production of neutralising antibodies.
- 2. (Currently Amended) The recombinant papilloma virus like particle (VLP) according to claim 1, wherein the L1 protein is <u>homologous to the L1 protein of derived from human papilloma virus 16.</u>
- 3. (Currently Amended) The recombinant papilloma virus like particle (VLP) according to claim 2, wherein the L1 protein of HPV 16 (SEQ ID NO:1) has been modified by substitution of two or more of amino acids selected from the group consisting of Asn56, Asp138, Asn270, Asn285, Ile348, Ser349, Thr350, Ser351, Glu352, THr353.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The recombinant papilloma virus like particle (VLP) according to claim 1, wherein the peptide is genetically fused to the modified

L1 protein.

5. (Currently Amended) A composition <u>consisting of comprising</u> the recombinant papilloma virus like particle (VLP) of claim 1, and one or more pharmaceutically acceptable carriers, adjuvants or diluents.